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Newsletter

SUMMER 2015

NEWS FROM THE CITY OF JOLIET, ILLINOIS

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Police and Fire
Emergency
9-1-1

Police Non-Emergency
(815) 726-2491

City Hall Information/
Questions
(815) 724-4000

Complaint Line
(815) 724-4005

Water & Sewer
Billing
(815) 724-3820

Building Dept./
Inspections
(815) 724-4070

Public Utilities
(Water & Sewer)
(815) 724-4220

Public Works
(815) 724-4200

Roadways
(815) 724-3650

City Manager
Jim Hock
(815) 724-3720

Mayor
Bob O'Dekirk
(815) 724-3700

Council Members

Larry Hug
(District 1)
(815) 724-3746

Pat Mudron (Dist. 2)
(815) 724-3749

John Gerl (Dist. 3)
(815) 724-3720

Bettye Gavin (Dist. 4)
(815) 724-3745

Terry Morris (Dist. 5)
(815) 724-3742

Jim McFarland
(At Large)
(815) 714-8787

Jan Hallums-Quillman
(At Large)
(815) 724-3744

Mike Turk (At Large)
(815) 724-3747



Welcome!

Front Row (Left to Right): District 1 Councilman Larry Hug, Councilman At Large Jim McFarland, Mayor Bob O'Dekirk, District 5 Councilman Terry Morris. Top Row (Left-Right) District 3 Councilman John Gerl, District 4 Councilwoman Bettye Gavin, Councilwoman At Large Jan Hallums-Quillman, District 2 Councilman Pat Mudron, and Councilman At Large Mike Turk.

City launches new newsletter to help inform residents

Message from Bob O'Dekirk, Mayor of Joliet

I am pleased to introduce the first edition of the City of Joliet's new citywide newsletter. The Joliet City Council voted to begin publishing this letter to help us better communicate with all Joliet residents. Our goal is to publish this newsletter four times a year and to deliver a copy to each Joliet household. By doing this, we hope to open more lines of communication with all of our residents.

In each edition of the newsletter we will provide information about



BOB O'DEKIRK
Mayor of Joliet

city services and information from specific city departments that we believe will be helpful to our residents. The newsletter will also include a calendar of events occurring throughout the city in the upcoming months, including special events at Bicentennial Park and in downtown Joliet.

Hopefully, you will find this letter useful to help understand and work with our city government, as well as participate in the many fun things planned in our great city.

If you have any suggestions on what you would like to see included in our newsletter, please contact Peggy Thomas, Communications Coordinator for the City Manager's office, at pthomas@jolietcity.org.

A MESSAGE FROM JOLIET POLICE CHIEF BRIAN BENTON

One of the highlights of the Joliet Police Department is our commitment to the community policing philosophy. Community policing requires partnering with residents and business groups for the purpose of identifying and addressing issues of crime, public safety, and quality of life in our city. Community policing focuses on building relationships and increasing trust between the police and the citizens, neighborhood associations and other community groups.

There are hundreds of neighborhood watch groups, homeowners



BRIAN BENTON
Joliet Police Chief

associations and other community groups active in the city. The Joliet Police Department has a dedicated Neighborhood Oriented Policing Team including a Crime Prevention officer, but still coordination and communication with so many groups can prove difficult. For this reason the Joliet Police Department has expanded communication through electronic means.

Citizens can visit our website at jolietpolice.org and use an interactive scrolling feature on the home page to view crime information in the city. The data is filterable by geographical area, time-frame and by criminal offense. Citizens can visit our Facebook or Twitter pages to stay informed on current affairs as well.

Public Works

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CONSTRUCTION

2015 Roadway Resurfacing Program

The Department of Public Works annually performs maintenance overlays on various streets within the City of Joliet. The city normally expends \$1.6 million per year for this program.

The 2015 citywide street resurfacing program is \$3.7 million. This increase allows substantially more roadways to be resurfaced within the 2015 construction season.



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Please Note ...

Springfield Avenue (Glenwood Avenue – Jefferson Street) will be resurfaced in the late Fall of 2015 to allow the Public Utilities Department to replace the watermain in this section of roadway during late summer / early fall. All other streets on this list will be resurfaced during the summer of 2015.

Homeowners are advised to seek alternative routes when a given street is being resurfaced.

Please feel free to call the Department of Public Works at 815-724-4200 should you have any further questions regarding the 2015 Roadway Resurfacing Program.

Quick Fact:

Joliet will resurface more than 12 miles of roads in 2015.

The following is a listing of streets to be resurfaced with the 2015 Roadway Resurfacing Program:

1. **Spencer Road**
(Marigold Drive – Cherry Hill Road)
2. **Catherine Street**
(Black Road – Mason Avenue)
3. **Lambert Street**
(High Street – N. Hebbard)
4. **High Street**
(Elgin Avenue – Lambert Street)
5. **Hebbard Street**
(Elgin Avenue – Eagle Street)
6. **Wilson Avenue**
(East Washington – S. End)
7. **Albert Avenue**
(Wilson Avenue – E. End)
8. **1100 Winthrop Avenue**
(Ingalls Avenue – Clara Street)
9. **Springfield Avenue**
(Jefferson Street – Glenwood Avenue)
10. **0-200 Dwight Avenue**
(Jefferson Street – Morgan Street)
11. **Drauden Road**
(W. Theodore – Arbor Gate Drive)
12. **Walter Adamic Lane**
(Ruth Fitzgerald Drive – Frank Turk Drive)
13. **Rock Creek Blvd.**
(Houbolt Road – S. W. to E. W. Leg)
14. **Cherry Street**
(McDonough – Shelby Street)
15. **Reichman Street**
(Hickory Creek – Old Richards St)
16. **Bush Street**
(I-80 – Reichman Street)
17. **Old Richards Street**
(I-80 – Colburn Avenue)
18. **Greenlawn Street**
(Reichman Street – Oscar Avenue)
19. **N. Midland Avenue**
(Clara Avenue – Delmar Avenue)
20. **Ingalls Avenue**
(Hosmer Street – N. Raynor Avenue)
21. **Henderson Avenue**
(E. Jackson – Ward Avenue)
22. **5th Avenue**
(Gardner Street – Richards Street)
23. **Black Road**
(Larkin Avenue – N. Midland Avenue)
24. **Springfield Avenue**
(Douglas Street – Black Road)
25. **I-55 East Frontage Road**
(Black Road – Terrance Ferry)
26. **Theodore Street**
(Essington Road – Delrose Street)
27. **Clublands Parkway**
(Ashbrook Lane – Caton Farm Road)
28. **Countyline Road**
(Hadrian Drive – Van Dyke Road)
29. **Bankview Drive**
(Westridge Road – Timbercrest Drive)
30. **Timbercrest Drive**
(Westridge Road – Bankview Drive)
31. **Whalen Lane**
(Ruth Fitzgerald Drive – Frank Turk Drive)
32. **Benich Lane**
(Billie Limacher Lane – Frank Turk Drive)
33. **Langsford Lane**
(Billie Limacher Lane – Ruth Fitzgerald Drive)
34. **Hennepin Drive**
(Von Esch Road – Entrance 6)
35. **Caton Ridge Drive**
(Stafford Street – Smokey Ridge Drive)
36. **Richmond Street**
(N. Midland Avenue – Catherine Street)
37. **John Street**
(N. Midland – Catherine Street)
38. **N. Youngs Avenue**
(East Cass Street – E. Benton Street)
39. **Columbia Street**
(Collins – Youngs Avenue)
40. **Oscar Avenue**
(Off of Greenlawn Street)
41. **Francis Street**
(Henderson – Charlesworth Avenue)
42. **Cutter Avenue**
(Woodruff Road – Fairchild Avenue)
43. **S. Midland Avenue**
(Morgan Street – Jefferson Street)
44. **Lakeridge Drive**
(Legacy Drive – Lakeview Drive)
45. **Lake Grove Drive**
(Wesmere Lakes Drive – Cider Grove Court)
46. **Cider Grove Court**
(West End – Lake Grove Drive)
47. **Hickory Grove Court**
(Westmore Grove – East End)
48. **Forest Grove Court**
(Westmore Grove – Wesmere Parkway)
49. **Westmore Grove Drive**
(Cider Grove Court – Forestgrove Drive)

Your Home

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LAWN CARE

Conservation Program + Lawn Watering



PAY YOUR CITY OF JOLIET WATER BILL AUTOMATICALLY!

The City of Joliet now offers payment of your water bill directly from your checking account. Enjoy these special features:

- The program is absolutely **FREE!**
- Easy, no-hassle application
- No lost payments, no late fees, and no checks ever need to be written
- No more standing in long lines
- No more running out of stamps or envelopes
- You will continue to receive a copy of your bill

To enroll in this complimentary payment service, you may visit our website at www.cityofjoliet.info or call our Utility Billing Department at (815) 724-3820.

Thank you for your cooperation in watering your lawn according to the water conservation program.

The following water restrictions are in place for the City of Joliet water customers year-round per City of Joliet Code of Ordinances, Sec. 31-126:

- Lawn watering can only be done at even numbered addresses on even numbered days and at odd numbered addresses on odd numbered days between the hours of 6 a.m. and 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. and 10 p.m.
- The only exceptions to the odd/even water restriction are homeowners and/or businesses who intend to install sod.
- To receive a proper permit for this exception, customers should contact the Department of Public Utilities, Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at (815) 724-4220, prior to sod installation.
- There is no restriction in filling swimming pools, watering trees, shrubs, flowers, vegetable gardens.



Building season is upon us

From the Community & Economic Development Department

Building season is upon us. Please note that fences, sheds, decks, and pools will require permits from the City of Joliet. If you live in a subdivision with a Homeowners Association (HOA), please check with your HOA prior to submitting a permit application for any of these projects.

Questions about building permits should be directed to Building Inspections at (815) 724-4070. Property maintenance issues

should be directed to Neighborhood Services at (815) 724-4090. General zoning questions can be answered by the Planning Division at (815) 724-4050.

Also, the City of Joliet passed an ordinance making the Assist Homeownership Program possible. The Assist Program offers a 3-percent cash grant and income tax credit. The contact person for the Assist program is Angela Conover at 312- 664-5656.

For Your Information...

View the most recent Water Quality Report by visiting www.jolietwater.com in July 2015.



Calendar

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FAMILY FUN

2015 Summer Calendar of Events

Event and meeting dates subject to change.

NOW - AUGUST 27

Concerts on the Hill
Thursdays 6:30 p.m.
Bicentennial Park

NOW - SEPTEMBER 25

Downtown Joliet Farmers Market
Fridays, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

NOW - SEPTEMBER 17

Joliet Junior College Farmers Market
Thursdays 2-6 p.m.
Main Campus Greenhouse Parking Lot

JUNE 26 - 28

Taste of Joliet
Noon-midnight (F/S)
Noon-7 p.m. (Sun)
ATI Field at Joliet Memorial Stadium

JULY 4

Fireworks
Gates Open at 5 p.m.
ATI Field at Joliet Memorial Stadium

JULY 9

Nitro Nite
5 - 10 p.m. • Downtown Joliet Chicago Street

JULY 10

Free Movie in the Park
(Shown at dusk) "Boxtrolls"
Theodore Crossing

JULY 11-12

Chitty Chitty Bang Bang by Youth Drama Camp
2 p.m. Bicentennial Park

JULY 15 & AUGUST 12

Downtown Joliet Evening Farmers Market
5 - 10 p.m. Chicago Street

JULY 16, AUGUST 13 & SEPTEMBER 10

Museum Rooftop Live Music
204 N. Ottawa
Doors Open 6:45 p.m.
jolietmuseum.org for band info

JULY 17

Concert in Preservation Park
710 Taylor St., 6:30-8 p.m.
The Nevery Brothers

JULY 18 & JULY 25

Battle of the Bands
6 - 10 p.m. Bicentennial Park
Admission: \$5.00

JULY 23

Sundowner 5K
7:15 p.m. start Pilcher Park
Visit jpdun.3.com for more info

JULY 24

Free Movie in the Park
(Shown at dusk) "Big Hero 6"
Preservation Park

AUGUST 1

Kidzfest
Downtown Joliet 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

AUGUST 7

Free Movie in the Park
(Shown at dusk) "Frozen"
Inwood Park

AUGUST 8

Nowell Park Back to School Festival
11 a.m. - 2 p.m.
(Lunch served at noon)
Nowell Park

AUGUST 18

U.S. Air Force Jazz Band
6:30 p.m. Bicentennial Park

AUGUST 21

Concert in Preservation Park
710 Taylor Street
6:30 - 8 p.m.
Morry Sochat &
The Special 20's (Jazz/Blues)

AUGUST 28-30

Family Fiesta
Friday: 5 - 11 p.m.
Saturday: Noon - 11 p.m.
Sunday: Noon - 10 p.m.
Bicentennial Park

SEPTEMBER 12

CAPA Wine Walk
Call Denise Powers for
Tickets & Reservations
815-723-7603

SEPTEMBER 13

Joliet Airport Festival
8 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Free admission

SEPTEMBER 17

Race Fan Rally
Downtown Joliet
4 - 10 p.m.

SEPTEMBER 18

Concert in Preservation Park
710 Taylor Street
6:30 - 8 p.m.
Gina Glocksen Band
(Top 40 Hits)



2015 Route 66 Raceway & Chicagoland Speedway Summer Schedule

July 9-12: 18th Annual Route 66 NHRA Nationals

July 17: Test & Tune/ Friday Nights at 66*

July 18: Rockett Brand Racing Fuel ET Bracket Series Junior Dragsters

July 24: Test & Tune/ Friday Nights at 66*

July 30-Aug 2 10th: Annual Nitto Tire NMRA/ NMCA Super Bowl of Street Legal Drag Racing

August 7: Test & Tune/ Friday Nights at 66

August 9: Rockett Brand Racing Fuel ET Bracket Series

August 15: Route 66 Classic

August 16: Rockett Brand Racing Fuel ET Bracket Series

August 21: Test & Tune/ Friday Nights at 66*

August 22: Junior Dragsters

August 23: Rockett Brand Racing Fuel ET Bracket Series

August 28: Test & Tune/ Friday Nights at 66*

September 11: Test & Tune/ Friday Nights at 66*

September 18: NASCAR Camping World Truck Series at CLS

September 19: NASCAR XFINITY Series at CLS

September 20: NASCAR Spring Cup Series at CLS

September 25: Test & Tune/ Friday Nights at 66*

October 4: Route 66 Raceway Swap Meet

**Schedule Subject to Change
Chicagoland Speedway (CLS)*

The Joliet Slammers

The Joliet Slammers Minor League Baseball team is playing baseball and having special events all summer long. Some ongoing promotions include Fireworks Fridays, Family Sundays, \$2 Tuesdays and Wednesday Bike Nights. Special nights are Princess Night, Back to the Future, Happy Birthday Harry Potter and Happy 100th Birthday Milano. Please visit jolietlammers.com or call 815-722-2287 for info about tickets and events.

